

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re the Application of: **MITANI, Takuo, et al.**

Group Art Unit: **4111**

Serial No.: **10/551,373**

Examiner: **KWON, Ashley M.**

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For: **SEPARATOR FOR USE IN STORAGE BATTERY, AND STORAGE BATTERY**

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR §1.116**  
**- EXPEDITED RESPONSE -**  
**GROUP ART UNIT 4111**

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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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December 10, 2009

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated September 15, 2009, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.